

Utah Board of Juvenile Justice

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Date:	Friday, Jan. 28, 2005	Time:	8:00 – 10:30 am	Place:	Utah State Capitol Complex Conference Room
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Members Present	Gary Anderson, Leslie D. Brown, Andria Burton, Adam Cohen, Michael Di Reda, Maria Garciaz, Willard Malmstrom, Holly Martak, Dennis Martinez, Huy D. Nguyen, Fred Peake, Natalie Thornley, Russ Van Vleet
Members Excused	Pat Berckman, Gary Dalton, Tonia Hashimoto, Max Jackson, Jennifer Jolley, Carol Page, Lonnie Thomas, Paul Tsosie
Staff & Visitors	Reg Garff, Jo Lynn Kruse, Matt Davis, Jeanette Drews, Laura Martine

Agenda Item:	Welcome and Chair's Report
Notes:	Fred Peake called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. The first item for discussion was whether to pay the full amount for CJJ dues. Gary Anderson made the motion to pay the full amount. Judge Brown seconded the motion and it passed unanimously .

Agenda Item:	Committee Reports
Notes:	<p>Pre-Adjudicated Committee – Pat Berckman No report.</p> <p>Post-Adjudicated Committee – Adam Cohen No report.</p> <p>Title V Committee – Reg reported for Carol Page We just started a new Title V grant in Delta and it is going better than expected. Reg got good news from Heidi Hsia from OJJDP: The Title V grant will be released as a formula grant rather than competitive. This will result in an estimated \$100,000 allocation for Title V projects in Utah. Things are going great in Springville.</p> <p>Youth Committee/Do the Write Thing – Andria Burton UBJJ has been granted permission to use the Governor's Mansion for the DTWT Awards Luncheon. Mary Kaye Huntsman has agreed to be our keynote speaker and a VIP judge. DTWT essays are due next week. Gary Anderson states that he knows Mike Young and will check to see if he will be a VIP judge. The UBJJ board will read and score essays. We'll need essay scores by Feb. 22nd. Please send them via email or fax. If you are unable to fax your score sheets, please bring them to the Feb. 25 UBJJ meeting.</p> <p>DMC – Mike Di Reda Mike says they had a good meeting yesterday. One notable thing, Mike talked to Judge Jones and we're trying to get on the September agenda at the State Judicial Conference. We would like to tell the judges the things we are working on and also hear from the judges regarding any systemic problems. The DMC would like to create an open dialogue, so we can address issues. Mike Di Reda will prepare a report and Reg will talk to Diane.</p> <p>Legislative Review – Carol Page There have been some small issues with HB28, those issues have been addressed. You can see all 2005 Justice Legislation updates on the CCJJ website (http://governor.utah.gov/cgi-win/ccjj.exe). Updates are done every Tuesday. Please let us know if there are any bills you think we need to track. We took a position of support on HB77, emancipation. We will probably end up supporting HB55. There has been talk of potential amendments on the bill, clarification to include possession. Some have felt distributors ought to have enhanced penalties if caught in possession. Fred Peake encourages all board members to attend the Monday meetings if you are interested. Please send emails to your legislators to comment on relevant legislation.</p>

Agenda Item:	Outcome Measures Report – Laura Martine, Matt Davis
Notes:	<p>Laura presented a quick review on LEMY. For details on LEMY see December 2004 meeting minutes. LEMY is being more cooperative and answering emails. They are still a bit unorganized. Twelve kids entered the program but they only have two referrals. A quality evaluation cannot be completed for this year because of missing data. This is their second year of funding and first year of evaluation. We have very little data for the first year. We only have two pre-tests out of eight completed by youth. LEMY did hire a research person but we haven't received any data and are getting receipts for his work. Reg has concern because they have hired a research person but the work is not getting done. Judge Brown and Gary Anderson will schedule a monitoring visit for next Friday. A decision regarding suspension of payments will wait until after the monitoring visit.</p> <p>Matt Davis spoke briefly about Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Washington County. They started last year and it's one of the best programs to evaluate. Their evaluation model includes activities, mentor relationships and changes in behavior. The program appears well organized, data is mostly complete and we will be able to analyze for the next annual report.</p>

Agenda Item:	Disparity of Justice for Offenders With Mental Retardation – Jeanette Drews
Notes:	<p>Jeanette Drews played a video for the board. The video presented a case from the 1950's of a mentally retarded man who committed a sexual crime against a young girl. The man had been molested himself as a child. He was charged, found incompetent to stand trial and the judge sent him to a mental hospital, where he stayed for 33 years. The mentally retarded man's finally wrote a letter to a judge, that judge sent him back to a mental hospital for another three years. The video points out the fact that one cannot get well from mental retardation. The man finally was released and sent to a group home in Orem. The neighborhood was up in arms about it. Authorities eventually gave the man a new name and moved him to Salt Lake. For ten years he lived a normal life with supervision. The judge set up quarterly hearings to keep track of him. The man died in 2000. Child abuse, torture, sexual abuse was all a part of this man's life. That is what he learned as a child. Teaching empathy, borders and boundaries needs to start in childhood to be effective. We have to look at an individual's ability to function, not just their IQ number. We can't go back to the institution era, it doesn't work and it's expensive.</p> <p>Fred Peake pointed out that children are not being supervised these days. It would be good if the Board can take the focus of the video we saw today and apply it to mentally retarded juveniles. Judge Brown says there is a great need for that.</p> <p>Copies of the DVD are currently in production and will be made available upon completion. Additional copies may be purchased for less than \$2.00 each.</p>

Agenda Item:	Juvenile Justice Specialist Report
Notes:	<p>There is \$23,000 remaining from our 2004 supplemental and \$3400 remaining in the 2002 account. Reg suggests that we release the 2002 funds to grantees that send in their reports on time, giving Reg discretion to make awards. Willard Malmstrom motioned to follow Reg's suggestion. Judge Brown seconded and it passed unanimously. There is \$39,000 left of the 2003 money. If we do not get a supplemental this year, we may have to cut back on current projects. The CCJJ and UBJJ annual report was given to each board member. OJJDP is changing the way we do reporting for our formula Title II grants. New performance measures will be laid out.</p> <p>UBJJ received a request from Pat Berckman to fund registration scholarships for the 26th annual Troubled Youth Conference on May 5-6 at Snowbird. Maria Garciaz made the motion to approve their request of \$4000. Carol Page seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.</p>

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, February 25, 2005 at 8:00am, State Capitol Complex
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